

## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Mayor and Council

FROM:

Sara L. Hensley, CPRP, Director

Austin Parks and Recreation

DATE:

November 17, 2010

SUBJECT:

Staff Recommended revisions to the Parks and Recreation Department's

Long Range Plan

In order to meet the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's (TPWD) deadline, Parks and Recreation Department (PARD) staff would like the draft Long Range Plan (LRP) (<a href="http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/parks/longrangeplan.htm">http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/parks/longrangeplan.htm</a>) adopted on November 18, 2010. The following staff recommended revisions will be amended shortly there after, which shall meet concerns raised by council members on November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010. These additional items, listed below, will be reviewed and shared inclusively. PARD staff will bring the final recommendations for approval to the Parks and Recreation Board, as well as, Mayor and Council.

- · Correct the cemetery acreages
- Inclusion of cemeteries in Executive Summary
- · Addition of Waller Creek as a listed project priority
- Addition of relevant recommendations of the Urban Park Stakeholders Group (pending final report)
- Revise Objective 1 under Goal to provide accessible parks and facilities to all citizens
- Reorganize TODs, VMUs, Downtown Plan and Waller Creek Plan so they are all together in regards to high density residential areas

By adopting now and amending later, this will help insure future grant opportunities with TPWD. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact my office 974-6717.

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